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## THE LAW OF NATIONS

UNDER IT HONOLULU COULD  
NOT BE BOMBARDED.

Public Buildings of All Kinds  
Must be Spared and Religious  
Convictions Respected.

There is so much idle talk  
going on in the city at present  
about the possible bombardment  
of Honolulu and other dire dis-  
asters which are prognosticated  
as the outcome of the present  
diplomatic difficulties with Japan.  
that the BULLETIN is impelled to  
publish the following for general  
information, showing that under  
the recognized rules of modern  
warfare this city could never be  
bombarded or besieged under any  
circumstances:

The "laws of war," as at pre-  
sent formulated by the civilized  
nations, forbid the use of poison  
against the enemy; murder by  
treachery, as, for example, as-  
suming the uniform or displaying  
the flag of a foe; the murder of those  
who have surrendered, whether  
upon conditions or at discretion;  
declarations that no quarter will  
be given to an enemy; the use of  
such arms or projectiles as will  
cause unnecessary pain or suffer-  
ing to an enemy; the abuse of a  
flag of truce to gain information  
concerning an enemy's position;  
all unnecessary destruction of  
property, whether public or pri-  
vate. They also declare that only  
fortified places shall be besieged,  
open cities or villages not to be  
subject to siege or bombardment;  
that public buildings of whatever  
character, whether belonging to  
church or state, shall be spared;  
that plundering by private soldiers  
or their officers shall be consid-  
ered inadmissible; that prisoners  
shall be treated with common  
humanity; that the personal effects  
and private property of prisoners,  
excepting their arms and ammu-  
nition, shall be respected; that the  
population of an enemy's  
country shall be considered  
exempt from participation in the  
war, unless by hostile acts they  
provoke the ill will of the enemy.  
Personal and family honor and  
the religious convictions of an in-  
vaded people must be respected  
by the invaders, and all pillage by  
regular troops or their followers  
strictly forbidden.

### SEWALL IS MINISTER.

His Nomination Sent to the  
Senate.

Among the nominations sent to  
the Senate by President McKinley  
on April 22 was:

HAROLD M. SEWALL of Maine  
to be Minister to Hawaii.

A Washington dispatch of the  
same date says:

"The appointment of Harold  
M. Sewall of Maine as Minister  
to Hawaii has bolstered up the  
hopes of the annexationists and  
those who favor a continuance of  
the reciprocity treaty with the is-  
land republic.

"Mr. Sewall has been all along  
an advocate of the annexation of  
the islands, and his choice for the  
post of Minister is believed by  
those who favor that settlement of  
the question to be an indication  
of the policy of the Administra-  
tion."

### THE FLAGSHIP BALTIMORE.

To take the Philadelphia's Place  
in July.

Washington, April 24.—The  
cruiser Baltimore, which has un-  
dergone a thorough overhaul-  
ing at Mare Island Navy  
Yard, will become the flagship of  
the Pacific station early this sum-  
mer in place of the Philadelphia,  
now flying Admiral Beardslee's  
flag in the harbor of Hon-  
olulu. The change will take  
place in July when Admi-  
ral Miller relieves Admi-  
ral Beardslee of the command of  
the station. The Philadelphia  
requires extensive repairs and  
will be laid up at Mare island.

## LATEST FOREIGN NEWS

GREECE BATTERED BY TURKEY AND  
MENACED WITH REVOLUTION

Terrible Flood in Oklahoma—Other  
Important Intelligence from  
Many Quarters.

### THE EASTERN WAR.

Greece Worst-Right and Left in the  
Struggle.

Nothing but disaster is report-  
ed of the Grecian arms in latest  
accounts from the seat of war.  
Athens is excited terribly. A  
mob stoned the palace of King  
George.

M. Hanotaux, the French For-  
eign Minister, has urged the Turk-  
ish Ambassador to advise the Sul-  
tan to hold out the olive branch to  
Greece, and if the Turkish troops  
went further France would be  
compelled to come forward as the  
defender of the Christian cause.  
In that event, said M. Hanotaux,  
Turkey would have the most  
reason to regret the intervention  
of the powers, which would not  
serve as a prop for the Ottoman  
Empire. It is understood that M.  
Hanotaux expressed the earnest  
hope that the Turkish Government  
would not make the serious mis-  
take of increasing the difficulties  
of the task of Europe.

Orders have been issued for  
further detachments of French  
infantry to be ready to leave for  
Crete at a moment's notice.

The Greek Ministry is liable to  
fall, under the pressure of popular  
disappointment.

While the mob stoned the  
palace they cried: "Down with  
the King! Down with Prince  
Constantine! Give us a republic!"  
An address from the Opposi-  
tion party appeals to the populace  
to maintain order.

Italy has ordered three power-  
ful vessels to Epirus to protect  
Italian interests. It is believed  
at Rome that the Powers will in-  
tervene between Turkey and  
Greece after the Turks occupy  
Volo.

King George is credited with  
desiring to abdicate in favor of  
his second son, Prince George.  
Rumors that Crown Prince  
Constantine had been recalled  
from the head of the army by  
royal decree are contradicted.

The Greeks have been put to  
wild rout in a battle in Epirus,  
flying in confusion from Larissa.

### UNITED STATES.

James Brooks, a ranch laborer  
in Fresno county, Cal., shot and  
perhaps fatally wounded Mrs.  
David Qualls and her stepdaugh-  
ter, then set fire to the house and  
the barn, shutting himself up in  
the barn to be burned to a charred  
corps.

There is war between the  
Knights and the American Federa-  
tion of Labor.

The agony in Kentucky is over  
by the choice of W. J. Deboe, a  
compromise candidate, for United  
States Senator. He was supported  
by the Republicans in solid block.

Lieut. Geo. A. Calhoun, U. S.  
N., died suddenly at New York.

### AWFUL FLOOD.

Guthrie in Oklahoma has been  
flooded, scores perishing in the  
waters. A wall of water, six to  
eight feet high and a mile wide,  
burst on the western part of the  
town without warning, at sunrise  
on April 28. Part of the town  
was wiped out.

The people in the Canadian  
valley had been praying for rain,  
and it came in cloudbursts, ac-  
companied with lightning, and  
rending away dams the flood  
careerred on a track of devastation.  
A schoolhouse for colored children  
at El Reno was struck by light-  
ning and 50 children were injured.

### EUROPE.

Queen Victoria is on the way  
home from Italy.

The heresy charges against  
Rev. John Watson, D. D., "Ian  
MacLaren," have been thrown out  
by a committee of the Presby-  
terian Synod of England.

## DANGER OF THE TREATY

POWERFUL OPPOSITION TO RECIP-  
ROCIETY AND STRONG DEFENSE.

Discussion on Question of Abrogation  
by Tariff Bill—Mr. Thurston  
Issues a Manifesto.

Lorrin A. Thurston has sub-  
mitted to the Senate finance com-  
mittee a statement of the reasons  
why the Hawaiian reciprocity  
treaty ought not to be abrogated  
by the tariff bill and why it should  
not, on its merits, be abrogated at  
all.

It would be a violation of a  
solemn treaty to impose duties on  
Hawaiian goods now free by the  
treaty.

There is no overwhelming ne-  
cessity shown for immediate  
action of so grave a character.

The imposition of duties would  
disarrange and confuse all of the  
mercantile and financial relations  
between the United States and  
Hawaii.

Being a revenue measure the  
tariff bill should not be compli-  
cated by the importation into it of  
far-reaching questions of foreign  
policy.

What the future policy of the  
United States toward Hawaii  
should be is a question of the first  
importance and of broad national  
policy.

Mr. Thurston argues the great  
importance of the American con-  
trol of Hawaii, and concludes as  
follows:

"If the treaty is abrogated, Ha-  
waii will be free to make such ar-  
rangements with other countries  
as circumstances may require.  
Strong and steadfast as is the  
American feeling in Hawaii, if  
the island products are  
barred out of the American mark-  
et by a practically prohibitive  
duty, they will be compelled,  
in order to avoid ruin to their chief  
industries, to seek a market in  
Australia, Canada and Eng-  
land, and will be free to  
offer in compensation for  
special trade privileges accorded  
to Hawaii the rights and privi-  
leges heretofore accorded to the  
United States and now exclusiv-  
ely held by it under the terms of  
the existing treaty."

Henry T. Oxnard, who is in  
Washington opposing the treaty,  
says there will be no more money  
put into beet sugar in California  
unless the treaty be abrogated.

A Washington dispatch of  
April 28 says there is no provision  
in the tariff bill, as it stands, for  
the abrogation of the Hawaiian  
reciprocity treaty.

Republican leaders in the Sen-  
ate had concluded that to incor-  
porate the Hawaiian clause in the  
bill would delay and perhaps en-  
danger the measure.

Unless the Democrats would  
force the acceptance of the clause  
it surely would be omitted.

John D. Spreckels of San Fran-  
cisco was hourly expected in  
Washington. He was reported to  
be coming to take up the fight  
against the Hawaiian treaty.

The bill is now practically de-  
cided upon, though sugar, wool,  
cotton and tobacco are held back.  
The fear of speculative effect has  
caused this. It is said that no  
change has been made in the  
sugar schedule except to change  
the basis from 96 to 90 polariza-  
tion test and the rate to .150 in-  
stead of .163.

Senator Perkins introduced in  
the Senate the petition of the  
Chamber of Commerce, San Fran-  
cisco, against the abrogation of  
the treaty, and asked that it be  
printed. He also introduced an-  
other of the same tenor, signed  
by 19 firms of San Francisco and  
other Coast towns.

It is rumored that the buying  
into the California beet sugar in-  
dustry, by Searles for the Trust  
from Claus Spreckels, has for its

## IN THE HIGHER COURTS

TWO JURIES TRYING CASES OF  
THE TERM.

Purser Sutton May Be Tried This  
Term—Poi and Molasses—Two  
Years for Coelbo.

On motion of the Attorney  
General, a nolle prosequi was  
granted by Judge Perry this  
morning in behalf of Halverson,  
charged with a felonious offense.  
Creighton for the defendant.

The case against J. B. Sutton,  
purser of the steamer Alameda,  
for opium in possession, came up  
on a motion of E. P. Dole, Deputy  
Attorney General, that it be placed  
on the calendar for this  
term. Mr. Neumann for the de-  
fendant objected, stating that the  
Attorney General had no right  
to have the case placed on the  
calendar after the term had be-  
gun. He argued that it should  
be heard in the August term.  
Judge Perry ordered the case  
placed on the calendar subject to  
argument of counsel and decision  
later whether the case be heard  
this term.

R. W. Holt vs. Goo Kim is on  
trial before Judge Perry by the  
following mixed jury: H. P.  
Paulo, S. Stone, E. O. White,  
Wm. Kekihii, T. P. Cummings, F.  
S. Lyman Jr., Mokuahi, J. M.  
Tracy, J. L. Forbert, G. R. Keo-  
maka, C. Hastace Jr., C. H. Clapp.  
It is a case of ejectment for land  
at Niukukahi, Waikiki. Rosa for  
plaintiff; Robertson and Wood for  
defendant. This is a new trial  
ordered by the Supreme Court.

W. P. Morrow is on trial for  
gross cheat before Judge Carter  
by the following jury: Louis  
Singer, R. B. French, Al A. Gon-  
salves, J. W. Grace, Thos King, T.  
S. Douglas, C. F. Murray, S. I. Suaw,  
C. L. Brown, E. H. Wodehouse,  
Frank Gertz, J. W. Robertson.  
The charge in particular is selling  
a mixture of poi and molasses to a  
Chinese man for opium and getting  
\$20 for a certain quantity of the  
stuff. Deputy Attorney General  
E. P. Dole for the prosecution; C.  
Creighton for the defendant.

W. J. Coelbo, convicted of em-  
bezzlement of District Court  
funds while clerk of that tribunal,  
was sentenced by Judge Carter  
this morning to imprisonment at  
hard labor for two years. Attor-  
ney Creighton stated he was not  
yet ready to argue the motion for  
a new trial.

### SCARCITY OF LIME.

May Cause Much Delay in Building  
and Mill Operations.

For the past two or three weeks  
there has been a great scarcity of  
lime in the local market and  
merchants and others have been  
borrowing from one another right  
and left to tide over their shortage  
and keep things going until the  
steamship Altmore of the Portland  
line arrives. This vessel, already  
overdue, is supposed to have  
about 4000 barrels of this neces-  
sary article in her capacious hold,  
and plantations men, contractors  
and builders are anxiously wait-  
ing for the announcement of her  
arrival.

Owing to the impossibility of  
obtaining lime and the non arrival  
of some heavy bolts, the work of  
preparing the foundation for the  
new Ewa pumping station was  
shut down this morning and  
Foreman John Carden came to  
town. Some idea may be formed  
of the amount of labor required in  
making foundations for this big  
pumping plant from the statement  
of Mr. Carden that there is more  
mason work to be done than on  
the new fire station.

Lime is also used extensively  
in sugar mills, and if the present  
scarcity is not relieved soon there  
will be more trouble than in the  
building trade.

Both the Circuit Court judges  
are hearing jury trials.

## OUR TRADE WITH HAWAII

THE SAN FRANCISCO BULLETIN  
SOUNDS A NOTE OF WARNING.

United States Must Not Forget that  
Hawaii is Exposed to Dangers  
That Threaten Her Existence.

The following is taken from the  
editorial columns of the San  
Francisco Bulletin:

"While the United States is  
collecting bills of Turkey by the  
somewhat especial process of  
special Ambassador, it will not  
probably forget that Hawaii is ex-  
posed to dangers that threaten her  
existence as a nation. The an-  
nouncement of an American poli-  
cy in respect to the islands would  
probably ward off these dangers.  
The action of our Government in  
the last four years has given Jap-  
an to understand that no very  
vigorous protest would be made  
against the acquisition of the is-  
lands by the Japanese Govern-  
ment. To lose Hawaii now would  
be to lose a State whose interests  
are closely identified with our  
own. Almost the entire trade of  
Hawaii comes to the United  
States. In 1896 the islands im-  
ported goods to the amount of  
\$7,164,561, of which \$5,464,208  
were exports from the United  
States and mostly from California.  
Hawaiian exports for the year  
amounted to \$15,515,230, of which  
the United States took \$15,460,-  
198. Of this whole trade, both  
exports and imports, 82 per cent  
was carried in vessels flying the  
American flag.

"Of course, the free admission  
of Hawaiian sugar under the  
treaty of reciprocity accounts for  
the preponderance of Hawaiian  
commerce with the United States.  
Reciprocity with Hawaii is by no  
means a one-sided affair. Amer-  
ican goods are either imported  
free or on such terms that they  
hold the market. Our Canadian  
friends are not blind to the ad-  
vantages of this island trade. Re-  
presentatives of that Government  
are now in Honolulu, sounding  
the Hawaiian Government on a  
proposition to admit Canadian  
exports on the same terms as  
American exports on condition  
that Hawaiian sugar is admitted  
into Canada free. While Canada  
is bidding for the trade of Hawaii,  
there is a movement in this  
country to abrogate the treaty  
which has given the United States  
the Hawaiian market."

### THE DIAMOND JUBILEE.

Disunion of British Residents of  
San Francisco.

British societies in San Fran-  
cisco split into two irreconcilable  
sections over the celebration of  
the Diamond Jubilee. One of the  
sections will hold a celebration on  
June 19, the other on June 21.  
The former is composed of the  
British Benevolent Society, the  
Caledonian Club and the St. An-  
drew's Society, and the latter  
of the Sons of St. George, the  
Daughters of St. George and the  
Thistle Club. The dispute that  
caused the split was over the dis-  
position of a surplus fund from  
the celebration of the golden  
jubilee, or fiftieth anniversary of  
the Queen's reign, in 1887. There  
is \$7000 in it, and the interest  
therefrom has for some years  
been divided among the societies  
for their benevolent objects.  
Some of the societies desired that  
the money should be used in  
founding a hospital, and others  
opposed the idea.

British Commissioner Hawes  
will hold a reception on the 24th  
in honor of the 78th birthday an-  
niversary of Queen Victoria. A  
general invitation will be given  
officially in due time. The Lega-  
tion may be temporarily situated  
at Waikiki on the date, in which  
case the reception will be held  
there.

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